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BRIEFING ON NCLB/KCCT DATA SCHEDULED

(FRANKFORT, Ky.) – Kentucky Education Commissioner Terry Holliday will host a media briefing on Tuesday, September 22, at 10 a.m. EDT on the first floor of the Capital Plaza Tower in Frankfort.

The briefing is designed to provide background information about data related to the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act and the Kentucky Core Content Tests (KCCT). The data will be publicly released at 12:01 a.m. EDT Wednesday, September 23.

Due to scheduling conflicts and considerations related to the embargo, this briefing will not be webcast. A summary of items discussed at the briefing will be available after its conclusion.

Each year, NCLB requires states to publicly report the results of assessments in reading and mathematics for public schools. Under NCLB, schools funded by the federal Title I program are expected to make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in meeting academic and other goals.

Senate Bill 1, passed in the 2009 session of the Kentucky General Assembly, mandates that the state system of school accountability be suspended until 2012 and that schools be held publicly accountable through NCLB results during the interim period. The KCCT provides annual assessments in reading and mathematics to comply with NCLB, and students also are tested in science, social studies and writing on-demand.

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